# 1.0 Purpose

To ensure all new and remodel construction projects are incorporating LEED Silver design standards and specifications.

### 2.0 Activity/Department

Incorporated LEED Silver Design standards into all construction projects / Project Management Team

#### 3.0 Forms Used

- Team Energy Usage spreadsheets located on P: drive, DFCO, Energy Use.
- Team Energy Savings Project Tracking Spreadsheets located on P: drive, DFCO, Energy Use.
- LEED Silver Design Specifications check list

#### 4.0 References

LEED Silver Design Specifications

#### 5.0 Acronyms, Abbreviations, and Definitions

One of the important sustainability frameworks for buildings is called Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®). Developed by the U.S. Green Building Council (http://www.usgbc.org/), LEED is a voluntary, consensus-based rating system that awards different levels of green building certification based on total credit points earned. LEED gives credits for incorporating specific sustainable design strategies into a building design. The design strategy categories include the following:

- Sustainable sites;
- Water efficiency;
- Energy and atmosphere;
- Materials and resources;
- Indoor environmental quality; and
- Innovation and design process.

The U.S. Green Building Council plans to periodically update the rating system and add new categories of buildings. The currently approved system is for new construction or major renovation of commercial buildings; a pilot system addresses the operation of existing commercial buildings; and additional systems are under development for residential, laboratory, and other building types.

## 6.0 Exclusions

Projects under \$5,000

### 7.0 Procedure

7.1 Property Managers will review projects for their respective Teams using the LEED Silver Design Specifications check list to ensure LEED Silver Design Specifications are being used.

Property Manager or designee will also perform a cost benefit analysis for projects greater than \$5,000.

#### 8.0 Records

- Completed LEED checklists
- Cost benefit analyses
- Team Energy Savings Project tracking spreadsheets located on P: drive, DFCO, Energy Use.

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